

STATE of MINNESOTA

Proclamation

WHEREAS: The Minnesota Future Farmers of America (FFA) and agriculture education provide a

strong foundation for youth and the future of agriculture in Minnesota as well as the

profession of agriculture education; and

WHEREAS: The Minnesota FFA promotes premier leadership, personal growth, and career success

among its 10,000 members, through career and technical education experiences in

secondary agriculture education; and

WHEREAS: Minnesota FFA members earned more than 3.8 million dollars and invested more than

2.9 million dollars through work-based educational internships and entrepreneurial-

supervised agriculture experiences in 2013; and

WHEREAS: Agriculture education and the FFA ensure young professionals are ready to meet the

growing demands of Minnesota's agriculture, food, and natural resources industry; and

WHEREAS: The FFA motto, "Learning to Do, Doing to Learn, Earning to Live, Living to Serve,"

compliments the Minnesota FFA theme, "Fuel Your Fire;" and

WHEREAS: The FFA develops leaders within its chapters, schools, and communities by encouraging

cooperation, promoting good citizenship, and inspiring patriotism among its members;

and

WHEREAS: The FFA is a vital part of quality intra-curricular education, which develops good

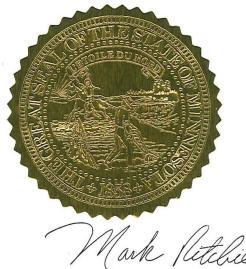
citizens, leaders, entrepreneurs, employees, executives, and the supply of agriculture

educators.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MARK DAYTON, Governor of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim the week of February 15-22, 2014, as:

FFA WEEK

in the State of Minnesota.



SECRETARY OF STATE

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Minnesota to be affixed at the State Capitol this 5th day of February.

GOVERNOR